

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Refund of Excess Money collected from Nanjangud Rice Mill Owners towards Electricity Charges.

*Q.—11. Sri T. PARTHASARATHY (Malleswaram).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that Electric Department after conversion of the 25 Cycles to 50 Cycles during 1956 were charging the rice mill-owners on the horsepower of the motor used and not on the quantity of current consumed;

(b) whether it is a fact that later on, the Electric Department changed from billing the horsepower to the actual quantity of current consumed and promised to refund the excess collected on horsepower basis;

(c) why the Electricity Board has not refunded the excess collected from the Nanjangud rice mill-owners?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(a) and (b) Before 1st April 1956 the minimum due from L.T. industrial installations was computed on the basis of the rated H.P., the actual bill being either the minimum computed or the actual consumption charges whichever was higher.

From 1st April 1956 the mode of billing was not changed, but only the basis for computing the minimum was altered from rated H.P. to the nominal H.P.

The minimum was later on ordered to be computed on the basis of rated H.P. as before. From 1st January 1958 the minimum is being computed on the basis of the nominal H.P.

Refunds of the extra revenue actually collected during the relevant period were ordered to be made to the respective consumers.

(c) Action has been taken to arrange for the refund to the Nanjangud Rice Mill Owners.

Construction of Causeways or Bridges on Ichala and Prabhuswamy Nalas on Pala-Badami Road.

*Q.—34. Sri C. S. HULKOTI (Mundargi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it has come to their notice that Ichala Nala and Prabhuswamy Kyadagi Nala on Pala-Badami Road between Gadag and Mulgund in the District of Dharwar have been a great hindrance to the very heavy traffic on that road during the rainy season;

(b) whether they are also aware that many representations have been made to the Government to construct causeways or bridges over those two Nalas and the Government has promised to construct bridge or causeway over them;

(c) the steps taken to have the plans and estimates prepared and give technical and administrative sanctions to them?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Representations have been received. No specific promise has been held out.

(c) Preparation of plans and estimates for these works has been taken up by the local officers. The question of technical and administrative sanctions will be taken up as soon as they are ready.

Artificial Insemination Centres in the State.

*Q.—77. Sri R. NAGAN GOWDA (Hospet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of the Taluk and District Headquarters in the State